

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD
OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE

December 19, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED that the 2nd meeting of December 2023, of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, of the City of Booneville, Mississippi, was held on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, at 5:30 pm, at Booneville City Hall, the time and place for said meeting.

Those in attendance were the following members of the Board: Mayor Chris Lindley, Alderman Jimmy Hicks, Alderman Tara Lauderdale, Alderman Carolyn Miller, Alderman LaVaile Shields, and Alderman Jeff Williams. Also present were City Clerk Sharon Williams, several City employees, and members of the public. City Attorney Daniel Tucker participated by phone. The meeting was called to order in open session by Mayor Lindley, and a quorum was declared present.

The invocation was given by James McChristian.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brant Sappington.

There first came on for consideration, the request to approve the consent agenda.

The items on the consent agenda are as follows:

- (a) Approve board minutes of December 5, 2023.
- (b) Approve to pay Prentiss County Tax Collector for the 2023 taxes on the Triangle in the amount of \$97.42.
- (c) Approve to pay FMBank for the PD Complex Loan in the amount of \$9,544.62.
- (d) Approve to pay Prentiss County Development Association in the amount of \$6,000.00.
- (e) Approve to pay Prentiss County Chancery Clerk for the airport agreement in the amount of \$2,850.00.
- (f) Approve to pay Capital One for delinquent bills retroactive in the amount of \$203.28.
- (g) Approve the resignation of Jesse Arnold as a full-time Firefighter effective immediately.
- (h) Approve to pay Blades Group, LLC from park maintenance budget in the amount of \$1,178.00.
- (i) Approve to pay Roberts Builders, Inc. for work done at the new Police Department in the amount of \$61,698.96.
- (j) Approve the resignation of Michael Kilgore as a part-time employee from the Street Department effective December 14, 2023.
- (k) Approve water sprinkle meter adjustment for Langston property in the amount of \$800.00.

Alderman Shields made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, under General Government, City Clerk Sharon Williams requesting approval of membership to the National League of Cities in the amount of \$1,276.00. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval of a maintenance agreement for BBI Software. Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for the approval of a maintenance agreement for BBI Hardware. Alderman Hicks made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next a request was made for approval to pay Odysseus Strategies from the general fund in the amount of \$2,590.15. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval to advertise for annual supply bids for the following:

Hot Mix Asphalt #1A
 Hot Mix Bituminous Pavement in place per 100 ton #2A (6-month bid)
 3-inch Rock #3A
 #7 State Certified Washed Rock #4A
 #57 Rock #5A
 Spot Sealing Per Mile #6A
 DBST per ton #7A
 Crusher Run #8A
 Rip Rap (100 and 200 lb Rock) #9A
 Culverts from 8-60 inches, price per ft. include all elbows, tees, and bands #10A
 Surge #11A
 Clay Gravel #12A
 Gasoline including tank wagon price regular, unleaded, and premium #13A
 Diesel fuel #14A
 Full-Service Oil Changes/Services of City Vehicles and Light Trucks #15A
 Full-Service Synthetic Oil Change with 5 quarts of oil and amount for each additional quart #16A

Fill Dirt #17A

Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Lori Tucker with the Tourism Department requesting approval of the resolution for the George E. Allen Historical Marker in the amount of \$2,000.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board.

Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval of a resolution for the Sip & Shop Event in the amount of up to \$2,500.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Tourism Board. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Jon Hill with the Park Department requesting approval to accept the best and lowest bid for the dirt work at Sunflower Park. Two (2) bids were received. One bid was from Burns Dozer Service in the amount of \$28,500.00. A second bid was received from Breedlove & Son in the amount of \$30,000.00. Alderman Williams made a motion to accept the best and lowest bid from Burns Dozer Service in the amount of \$28,500.00. This was seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval of a resolution to purchase a sound system in the amount of up to \$5,000.00. This resolution has been approved by the Park Board. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval of a resolution for the purchase of sports equipment in the amount of up to \$15,000.00. This resolution has already been approved by the Park Board. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Fire Chief Bobby Agnew requesting approval to hire Jesse Arnold as a part-time Firefighter at the rate of \$11.50 per hour, effective immediately and upon passing drug test. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Lisa Stennett with the Gas & Water Office requesting approval of a 2-month sewer adjustment for Sherry and Robert Eubank in the amount of \$385.20. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval to mail letters to gas billing error customers in the amount of \$1,150.38. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to approve adding BBI invoicing module to bill gas billing error customers, in the amount of \$1,980.00. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Oscar Joshlin with the Gas Department requesting approval to accept the best and lowest bid for the Booneville Police Department Gas Bore. Two (2) bids were received. One was from Eubank Construction in the amount of \$6,800.00. A second bid was received from Kevin Lambert in the amount of \$5,500.00. Alderman Shields made a motion to accept the best and lowest bid from Kevin Lambert in the amount of \$5,500.00. This was seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval to post for a Pipe Fitter position at the rate of \$15.00 to \$16.00 per hour depending on experience. Alderman Hicks made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Paul Carpenter with the Water Department requesting approval to declare and repair an emergency water leak on West College Street. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Police Chief Michael Ramey requesting approval to send Anetta Martin to the Police Academy in Tupelo, Mississippi beginning January 8, 2024, at a cost of \$4,000.00 (to be reimbursed after graduation). Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made for approval to send Brittney Sanders to the Police Academy in Tupelo, Mississippi beginning January 8, 2024, at a cost of \$4,000.00 (reimbursed after graduation). Alderman Miller made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, a request was made to hire Beverly Gann as a full-time Police Officer at the rate of \$17.20 per hour, effective immediately and upon passing drug screen. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, Kenny White with the Street Department requesting approval to hire Ben Mauney as a seasonal employee at the rate of \$11.00 per hour, effective immediately. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Miller, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under the Board Report, Alderman Williams requested approval for the removal of the stop sign at Park and North Smith Streets. Alderman Shields made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, under the Mayor's Report, Mayor Lindley requested approval to transfer funds from the gas construction account to the payroll clearing account in the amount of

\$100,000.00. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Lauderdale, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

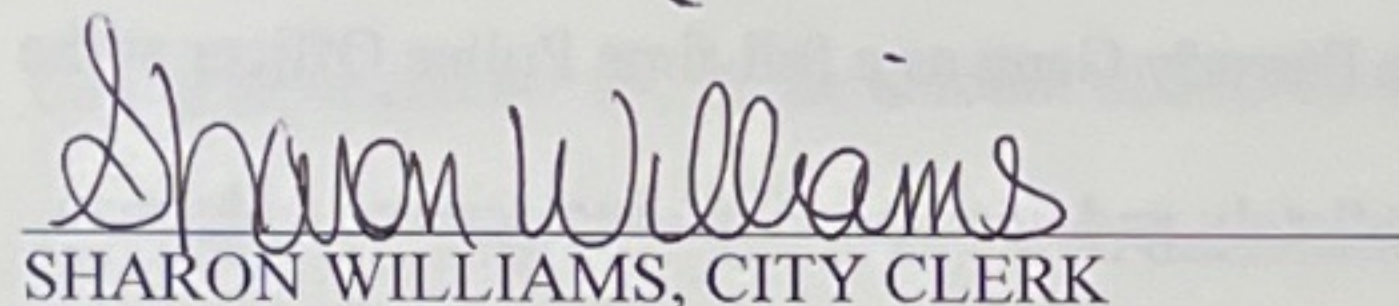
Next, a request was made for approval to declare a work session on January 11, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. Alderman Lauderdale made said motion, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

With there being no other business before the Board, Alderman Shields made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Hicks, and with the Aldermen present and all voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.



CHRIS LINDLEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SHARON WILLIAMS, CITY CLERK